September 6, 2005

## Recommendation to the ICOC for a second round of training grant funding.

On the recommendation of the Research Funding Working Group, the CIRM staff requests authorization to issue a second RFA for participation in the CIRM Training Grant Program in Stem Cell Research. As presently conceived, the RFA, which can be issued as early as the Spring of 2006, will have three components:

- New or revised applications for Training Grants
- Supplementation of applications whose positions were reduced in the first round
- Applications for Clinical Training Grants with an emphasis on innovative training in patient-based research that can be used either to fund new programs or to supplement existing ones.